

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. B. Curry  
Chief of Police

Subject: Incident involving Lee  
Harvey Oswald

Sir:

At approximately 10:30 A. M., November 24, 1963, I was working as a detective assigned to the Forgery Bureau detail and was on duty stationed in the basement of the city hall directly in front of the pay telephone booths at the exit to the basement into the driveway parking area in the basement to await further security instructions from Captain O. A. Jones.

I stayed in this general area until Captain Jones arrived and gave instructions to about twenty-five detectives including myself. We were placed in two lines to give maximum security to the prisoner.

A blue detective's car was backed into position which blocked my view when the deceased was brought from the hallway. I saw a sudden movement from the suspect and heard a gun blast. There were so many reporters that pushed their way forward that I was unable to get to the suspect. I jumped across the trunk of the car and grabbed the suspect, and there were two other officers attempting to wrestle the gun away from him. We all fell to the floor where the suspect was subdued and disarmed.

Respectfully,

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